

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1/line 1, amend the title to read:

SYNTHESIS OF PRIMARY HALOVINYLSULFONES

Replace the Abstract with the following:

ABSTRACT

Disclosed is a process comprising reacting a primary alcohol sulfone with a reducing agent and a halogenating agent in the presence of an amide compound present in an amount of less than 1 part amide per part of primary alcohol sulfone to form a vinylsulfone.